

ABSTRACT**DISK DRIVE APPARATUS, HEAD ASSEMBLY,
AND PIVOT BEARING**

In a hard disk drive, there are provided a head assembly 13 that drives a magnetic head 33 that reads and writes data on a recording disk, and a flange section that extends toward the periphery on the sleeve 21 of a pivot member 20 that supports this head assembly 13 so that it is free to pivot; and planar sections 41A and 41B are formed on the peripheral surface of this flange section in order to adjust the balance of the center of gravity of the head assembly 13.